

July 13, 2001

Exemption No. 6921A
Regulatory Docket No. FAA-2001-8786

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Dear Mr. Schneider:

This is in response to your January 3, 2001, letter petitioning the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) on behalf of Lynden Air Cargo (LAC) for an extension of Exemption No. 6921. That exemption from § 121.344 of Title 14, Code of Federal Regulations (14 CFR) permits LAC to operate its 4 Lockheed Martin 382G Hercules (L382G) airplanes (Registration Nos. N401LC, N402LC, N403LC, and N404LC; Serial Nos. 4606, 4698, 4590, and 4763, respectively) under part 121 without those aircraft being equipped with an approved flight data recorder.

In your petition, you indicate that the conditions and reasons regarding public interest and safety, presented in the original petition upon which the exemption was granted, remain unchanged.

The FAA has determined that good cause exists for not publishing a summary of the petition in the Federal Register because the requested extension of the exemption would not set a precedent, and any delay in acting on this petition would be detrimental to LAC.

The FAA has determined that the justification for the issuance of Exemption No. 6921 remains valid with respect to this exemption. However, although the FAA stated it would consider excepting the L382G from the applicable digital flight data recorder requirements in your original grant of exemption, please do not assume the L382G will be excepted. For further information, please refer to the statement of policy (Exemptions and Exceptions for Flight Data Recorder Requirements), which was published in the *Federal Register* on June 6, 2001 (66 FR 30310) (copy enclosed).

In consideration of the foregoing, I find that a grant of exemption is in the public interest. Therefore, pursuant to the authority contained

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in 49 U.S.C. §§ 40113 and 44701, delegated to me by the Administrator, Exemption No. 6921 is hereby amended by extending its July 15, 2001, termination date to July 15, 2003, unless sooner superseded or rescinded.

All other conditions and limitations of Exemption No. 6921 remain the same. This letter shall be attached to, and is a part of, Exemption No. 6921.

Please note the FAA has assigned a new docket number to this project (Docket No. FAA-2001-8786; previously Docket No. 29492). In an effort to allow the public to participate in tracking the FAA's rulemaking activities, we have transitioned to the Department of Transportation's Internet-accessible Docket Management System, located at <http://dms.dot.gov>. This new system enables interested persons to submit, view, and download requests to the Docket Management System in accordance with 14 CFR § 11.63. Future requests should be submitted through this System.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure

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